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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Invention: SOFT TISSUE LOCKING DEVICE
Applicant: Herbert E. Schwartz et al.
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 27, 2007, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.